



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Shigetoshi SUGAWA

Title: SOLID-STATE IMAGING DEVICE, LINE SENSOR AND OPTICAL

SENSOR AND METHOD OF OPERATING SOLID-STATE IMAGING

**DEVICE** 

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT & ELECTION OF SPECIES

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Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed October 15, 2007, Applicant hereby elects the claims of Group I, Claim(s) 1-24, drawn to a solid-state image device.

Applicant also hereby elects Species I, Figs 1-8, Claims 1-5, for prosecution in the subject application.

Applicant, of course, reserves the right to file a divisional application covering the non-elected subject matter and/or to receive consideration of claims to additional species as provided by 37 C.F.R. §1.141 and M.P.E.P. §821.04 (rejoinder).

Receipt of the initial Office Action on the merits is awaited.

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Respectfully submitted,

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